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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of
INVENTOR OR APPLICATION IDENTIFIER: Randall S. KENT and Edward HORTON
FOR: METHODS FOR STERILIZING BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS

Enclosed are:

1. ☒ 42 pages of specification, claims, abstract
2. ☐ _____ sheets of FORMAL drawings.
3. ☒ 4 pages of Declaration & Power of Attorney (copy from a prior application).
☒ Incorporation By Reference-The entire disclosure of the prior application is considered as being part of the disclosure of the accompanying application and is hereby incorporated by reference therein.
☒ This is a ☒ Continuation or ☐ Divisional of prior application No. 09/533,547, filed on March 23, 2000, entitled METHODS FOR STERILIZING BIOLOGICAL MATERIALS
4. ☒ An Information Disclosure Statement and PTO 1449 Form are submitted herewith.
5. ☐ Cancel claims _____.
6. The filing fee is calculated on the basis of the claims existing in the prior application as amended at 5 above:

CLAIMS AS FILED					
For	No. Filed		No. Extra	Rate	Fee
Total Claims	63	- 20	43	X \$9.00	\$387.00
Indep. Claims	3	- 3	0	X \$43.00	\$ 0.00
Multiple Dependent Claims (If applicable) add \$145.					\$145.00
BASIC FEE					\$385.00
TOTAL FILING FEE					\$917.00

7. ☐ Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
8. ☒ Applicant claims Small Entity status.
- 9a. ☒ A check in the amount of \$ 917.00 (Check # 10500) is attached.
- 9b. ☐ Please charge my Deposit Account No. 16-0607 in the amount of \$ _____. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
- 9c. ☐ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the following fees associated with this communication or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0607. A duplicate copy is enclosed.
☐ Any additional filing fees required under 37 C.F.R. 1.16.
- 10a. ☒ The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge fees under 37 C.F.R. 1.16 and 1.17 which may be required, including any extension of time fees to maintain the pendency of the parent application No. _____ or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 16-0607.
- 10b. ☒ Authorization under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3).

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-- 11a. ☒ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This application is a Continuation of Application No. 09/533,547 filed March 23, 2000, which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 08/573,149, filed December 15, 1995, now U.S. Patent No. 6,171,549, which is a continuation-in-part of PCT/CA94/00401 filed July 22, 1994, which is a continuation-in-part of Application No. 08/095,698 filed July 22, 1993, now U.S. Patent No. 5,362,442. the disclosure of which is herein incorporated by reference in its entirety.--

11b. ☐ Amend the specification by inserting before the first line the sentence:

--This application is a Divisional of Application No. filed --

12. ☐ Priority of Application Serial No. _____ filed on _____, in _____ is claimed under 35 U.S.C. 119. The certified priority document(s) were filed in Serial No. _____ on _____.

13. ☒ The prior application is assigned of record to Clearant, Inc. at Reel 011256, Frame 0901.

14. ☒ The power of attorney in the prior application is to:

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15. ☒ Two (2) return postcards.

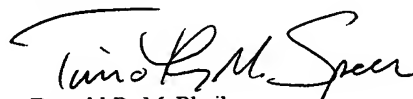
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16. ☐ Also enclosed:

17. ☐ A petition, fee and response has been filed to extend the term in the pending prior application until _____.

Respectfully submitted,
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**AUTHORIZATION TO TREAT A REPLY AS INCORPORATING
AN EXTENSION OF TIME UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a)(3)**

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Sir:

The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to treat any concurrent or future reply that requires a petition for an extension of time under this paragraph for its timely submission, as incorporating a petition for extension of time for the appropriate length of time under 37 C.F.R. 1.136(a)(3). The U.S. Patent and Trademark Office is hereby authorized to charge all required extension of time fees to our Deposit Account No. 16-0607, if such fees are not otherwise provided for in such reply.

Respectfully submitted,
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A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Timothy M. Speer".

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